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General Davison

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1. [redacted] asked me to send you a note on my reactions from my interview with [redacted]. He was referred to me and to the Agency by Mr. Neil Carothers of Defense. I had a long talk and was considerably impressed not only with his personality but also by his wide experience in fields of interest to this Agency. A Harvard graduate (1942), he got his Navy commission on completion of the Japanese training course in some 14 months. He then went to ONI and had practical intelligence experience on Admiral Radford's staff, assigned to Task Force 58, including experience in special intelligence. After the war he went to the Harvard Business School for one year and then got a Rhodes scholarship concentrating, I believe, in economics and political history. After that he spent one year with ECA in Paris planning economic development of backward countries. Since that time he has been with Morgan Stanley in New York. Offhand, he is obviously of interest to ORR, OCI, OPC and OSO.

2. I unfortunately could not get much reaction as to what his preferences might be since he seemed willing to tackle almost anything. As he apparently intends to make Government a career, I believe his proper placement is worth considerable trouble.

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3. [redacted] office informs me that [redacted] apparently was not interested in the prospects for employment discussed with him after he left my office and may consider a job with the International Bank. I feel we may have arguments which might bring him back to consideration of employment with CIA if you think we should go after him. Please call on me if I can help in any way.

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